

Interview Summary

Application No.

09/896,380

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(2) Gordon R. Lindeen III.

(4)_____.

Date of Interview: 6/26/07 and 7/2/07.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 12-17.

Identification of prior art discussed: _____.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.


Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: On 6/26/07 the examiner called to request a filing of Terminal Disclaimer(TD) to disclaim another/second patent 7184550, and applicant agreed with the examiner and filed TD on 6/27/07. On 7/2/07 the examiner called to explain how the applicant's amendment to overcome the 101 rejection for claim 12 is not working and applicant authorized the examiner to cancel the last 4-5 lines of the applicant's disclosure in paragraph 0043. Moreover, the applicant gave the authority to amend claim 17 to resolve 112 issue as disclosed in the examiner's amendment, on the second day of interview.